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Workers attempt to free trucker whose vehicle scattered debris after it collided with small car and cinder-block building Wednesday.

## Truck Driver Dies in Canyon Crash

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A tractor-semitrailer driver who tried to avoid an on-coming vehicle sliding into his path in Provo Canyon died on his way to the hospital Wednesday afternoon.

"We got the call about the accident around 1:07 (p.m.) and were informed by the hospital around 2:14 (p.m.) that the driver died," said Utah Highway Patrol

dispatcher Lila Vincent.

The driver of the westbound White tractor was identified as 36-year-old Edward Mike Hamburg of Salt Lake City.

Vincent said Steven C. Jones, 23, of Provo was identified as the driver of the eastbound 1978 Subaru that collided with the Hamburg vehicle.

UHP investigators said Jones apparently lost control of his vehicle on ice and slid into the path of the on-coming truck in the three-lane section of Provo Can-

yon just east of Canyon Glen Park.

Jones, a member of Brigham Young University's ski team, received a minor head injury.

UHP officials said Hamburg apparently tried unsuccessfully to avoid colliding with Jones' car.

After the crash, Hamburg's vehicle went over an embankment, ripping out small and large trees and a small cinder-block building. It came to a stop in Canyon Glen Park. Jones' vehicle remained on the canyon road.

Rescuers worked for over 30 minutes to reach Hamburg, who was trapped in the twisted cab.

Crews cut away metal and two passersby urged the critically-injured driver to take breaths.

At one point someone suggested amputating the driver's legs to speed extrication, but that was ruled out because he had lost so much blood as the result of a critical head injury.

Hamburg reportedly died on the way to Utah Valley Regional Medical Center.

leaked Wednesday by the White House.  
Reagan did not specify which elements in the Gorbachev proposal he found encouraging. But two U.S. officials singled out for praise was the Soviet leader's call for scrapping the more than 500 intermediate-range nuclear missiles the two superpowers have deployed in Europe.

Also, one official said, the White House was cheered by Gorbachev's proposal to negotiate a 50 percent reduction in the globe-circling U.S. and Soviet nuclear missiles, bombs and submarines.

## Briefs

### Two Supporters Of Aquino Killed

CAPAS, Philippines (UPI) — A godson of presidential candidate Ferdinand Aquino was murdered and "mutilated" along with another man while campaigning in Aquino's home province and opposition workers today blamed the shooting on an "armed goon" in a paramilitary uniform.

Former congressman Jose Yap, chairman of Aquino's campaign in Tarlac province, said a gunman Wednesday killed Jeremias de Jesus, 49, and his driver, Albert Jones, 37, on a dirt road near the town of Capas, 60 miles north of Manila.

He said de Jesus, godson of Aquino and a municipal leader of an electoral challenge to president Ferdinand Marcos, went to the American Embassy in Manila Tuesday to report acts of intimidation by pro-Marcos "armed men."

### China Executes Seven Criminals

PEKING (UPI) — Seven people were executed immediately after being convicted of theft, assault and murder at a public trial as part of China's "swift" crackdown on serious crime, The China Daily newspaper reported today.

Since China launched a nationwide anti-crime campaign in September 1983, Western diplomats and international human rights organizations said an estimated 20,000 Chinese have been executed for convictions ranging from "hooliganism" to murder.

The seven were sentenced by the Beijing Intermediate People's Court and executed immediately after the trial in the capital's mammoth Exhibition Center, the paper said — in conformity with China's drive to "crack down harshly and swiftly on serious crime."

make it a "zone of all-out war" if the United States attacked Libya.

Khadafy recalled the 1983 suicide attacks in Beirut against U.S. Marines and French troops and said superior military strength could not defeat "the spirit of the nation" and the "readiness for sacrifice."

The broadcast was monitored by the British Broadcast Corp., which provided a summary of his remarks.

In his speech, Khadafy "advocat-



Libyan Leader Col. Moammar Khadafy, right, embraces a senior official of a Palestinian radical group, Abu Farras.

## Explosions Rock South Yemen

Western diplomats and shipping sources said the capital of South Yemen was rocked by loud blasts and "sky-high balls of flame" today, the fourth day of violent struggles between two Marxist factions for control of the pro-Soviet country.

On Wednesday, a Kuwaiti news agency reported that rebellious armed forces had been largely isolated by the government. In New Dehli, India, South Yemen's prime minister, Heider Abu Bakr al-Attas, said the revolt was "under control and getting better."

However, a Japanese trading

company executive, who spoke on condition he not be identified, said today, "Gunfire broke out again this morning in the port suburb, and sky-high balls of flame were sighted by ships anchored outside the harbor."

A Western diplomat reached by telephone in Sanaa, North Yemen, said his embassy received radio messages about "deafening blasts and a huge fire in an ammunition dump" near Aden, the capital.

"It appears that fighting has spread to all six provinces (of South Yemen)," he said. "In Aden, gunfire and rocket fighting has

been raging between the two sides since dawn. Regulars and militiamen are using tanks, artillery and even jetfighters."

The Western diplomat and Arab diplomatic sources in Sanaa said the navy was solidly behind President Ali Nasser Mohammed, while the army and air force were split.

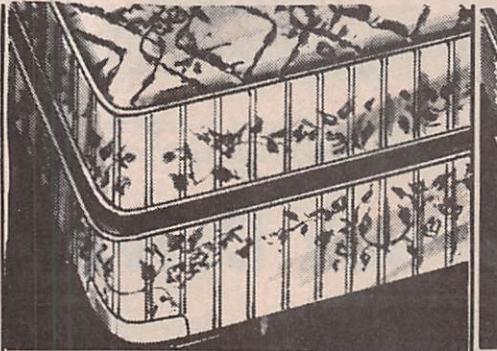
The fighting appeared to pit government loyalists against hardliners who oppose Mohammed's reported desire to improve relations with pro-West Arab countries like Saudi Arabia and Oman.

Foreign diplomats in Sanaa said they were concerned about th-

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